

W. EVAPORATED  
RASPBERRIES  
AT  
TOWN & Mellinger's,  
1001 Prairie Ave.  
Wholesale and Retail Grocers.

Cotton.

is always a first class market.  
is especially attractive at this time—  
bidders bidding sharply for what is  
the crop.

J. Cleveland & Co.,  
HOUSTON.



by Tarred Roofing, Felt, Two-ply  
of Roofing, Felt, Three-ply, Tarred  
Felt, One-ply, Rubberoid, Roofing,  
by Rubberoid, Roofing, Three-ply  
and Roofing, John's Asphalt Roofing,  
by Rock Asphalt Roofing.

J. CLEVELAND & CO.,  
and Salesroom, 1013 Franklin Ave.

ST RECEIVED.

Car genuine

ed Rust

roof Seed Oats.

Farmers will do well

to call early.

W. KELLER,

Wholesale and

Retail

GROCER

Houston Seed Store.

Seasonable Seeds.

Fine Flowers.

On ship them in good shape to a

girl, wherever she may be.

A. WHITAKER,

20 TRAVIS STREET.

We Offer

1000 BARRELS

New York Seed Potatoes

Assorted Varieties.

ennessee Triumph Potatoes.

ed and Yellow Onion

Sets. Write for Prices.

H. THOMPSON & CO.

SEED CORN.

P. SHEARN

Dealer in—

corn, Oats, Bran, Hay, Cot-

ton Seed Meal, Baled

Kulls, Chops, and

ALL KINDS OF FEED.

Two Carloads Sorghum Seed.

CORNER TRAVIS AND CAPITOL.

Phone No. 46.

INTERNATIONAL AND GREAT NORTHERN

RAILROAD

Fastest Through Train Ever Run Out of Texas!

PART MAIL TRAIN—Leaving Houston 1:15 p. m. arrives St. Louis 7:15 p. m.

next day, stopping at Union Depot with calls for points North and

West, arriving Chicago, Milwaukee, Louisville, Cincinnati, Columbus, Toledo,

Chicago and Detroit, leaving morning.

PART MAIL TRAIN—Leaving Houston 3:15 p. m. arrives Memphis next af-

ternoon at 12 o'clock, connecting with all lines to the South and East.

PULLMAN'S FINEST VESTIBULE BUFFET SLEEPING CARS.

City Ticket Office . . . 217 Main Street.

**OUR STOCK.**  
Of Fancy Shirts, Pajamas, Madras  
Chevots and Flannels is complete. We  
can make you shirts for a little over  
stock price and save you time and  
money in satisfaction and wear.  
**HAMILTON BROS.**

**TODAY'S FEATURES.**

**Domestic.**  
Louisiana drought sufferers ask for an appropriation for seed.  
Rawlins elected senator in Utah.  
McKenna chosen secretary of the interior.  
Porter to be McKinley's private secretary.  
Friends of the Nicaragua bill gave up on account of no quorum.  
Virginia election contest case decided in favor of Swanson.

**Foreign.**  
Fresh troubles in Crete; Greek population wants the patriarch to resign.  
Putting down of bread riots in Spain.  
Krueger talks about the Transvaal investigation.  
Woman's suffrage before the British parliament.  
Dinner given by Ambassador Bayard in honor of the Prince of Wales.  
Burning of villages in Crete.

**State.**  
The Cunningham paper mill at Sugarland nearly completed.  
The Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows adjourned. Fort Worth selected as the next place of meeting.  
Woodmen of the World of New Mexico, Arizona and Texas in session at Austin.  
State Chairman Green issues a circular to the faithful announcing that he is going to Washington and that he controls the Texas patronage.  
Big demand from Southern markets for coast country cabbage.  
Hon. W. J. Bryan and party return from their duck hunt, having enjoyed great sport. Mr. Bryan will visit his sister at Honey Grove, speak at Sherman and on Saturday leave for home.

**Texas Legislature.**  
Senator Yost introduces a bill to regulate and to prohibit the sale of lottery tickets.  
Senator Tillitt introduces a bill to prohibit transportation giving free passes to officials.  
The Lewis bill defining liability of railway companies in injuries to employees.  
Colquhoun's bill authorizing the commission to make emergency rates engrossed in the senate.  
Colquhoun's bill requiring express companies to maintain general offices in the State passed by the senate.  
Galveston city charter bill passed by the house.

Bill to regulate the practice of dentistry under discussion in the house.  
Representative Dickinson introduces a bill to provide for the speedy trial of rapists.  
Representative Holland and bride congratulated by the house and presented with a handsome testimonial.  
Unfavorable report of the bill creating State depositories for public money.

**The Markets.**  
Cotton futures 26 1/2 points up at New York and New Orleans.  
Cotton seed oil weak and in light demand.  
Wheat closed 74 7/8 cts.  
Volume of business in stocks moderate, but fractional advances made.  
Bonds were strong, active and higher.

**Railroads.**  
Texas rate clerks meeting in New Orleans.  
New lines contemplated in North and South Texas.  
Houston, East and West Texas officials leave for New York.  
The Atchafalaya, Topoka and Santa Fe directors negotiate for the purchase of \$100,000 Atlantic and Pacific bonds.

**Local.**  
Citizens go to Austin to work for and against the charter amendments.  
Regular monthly meeting of the school board.  
Numerous expressions laudatory of Houston's adventures.  
Superintendent Sutton indorses the prize essay proposition of the Business League.  
Local republicans will jubilate on inauguration day.  
A colored woman found dead in the Chaneyville precinct.  
The rapist Terrell indicted and his case set for trial.  
The new Hill street bridge will be ready for inspection next week.  
Mrs. William delivers a beautiful lecture at the Andloch Baptist church.  
The man John O'Donnell, who assaulted Captain Lawlor, is adjudged insane.  
The separate coach cases.  
Eliud Boone closes his engagement at Turner hall.  
He hid his money too well.

**ALFALFA.**  
Choice new crop Alfalfa, Amber Cane, Seed Corn, Artichokes, Kaffir Corn, Burr Clover, new crop Garden, Flower and Field Seeds of all kinds. King's Improved and Storm Proof Cotton Seed. Send for prices.  
**TEXAS SEED AND FLORAL CO.,**  
Dallas, Texas.  
State Agents for Zucker's Medical Eggs; kills all insects on chickens.

Foundry and Machine Work, Engine and Boiler Repairs.  
Castings, Grate Bars, Bash Weights, etc.

**HARTWELL IRONWORKS.**  
HOUSTON, TEXAS.

**TELEPHONE.**  
OVER THE LINES OF THE SOUTH-  
WESTERN TELEGRAPH AND TELE-  
PHONE COMPANY to many of the principal cities and towns of Texas. Toll stations at the Central Office. Hotels and other convenient places.  
**W. H. MARSHALL,**  
Local Manager.

**FAILED ON QUORUM.**

The Friends of the Nicaragua Bill Forced to Give In.

THERE WAS MUCH FILIBUSTERING.

Pacific Railway Foreclosure Was Up for Discussion

VIRGINIA ELECTION CONTEST.

The Cornett-Swanson Case Decided by the House in Favor of Swanson, the Striving Member.

Washington, February 3.—After a brief parliamentary struggle in the senate late this afternoon the friends of the Nicaragua canal bill were unable to hold a quorum and sit out the obstruction of that measure.

Mr. Vilas (Dem.) of Wisconsin had continued his speech in opposition, thus being his third successive day.

At 4:30 p. m. a cross-fire of motions to adjourn and calls of the senate began. The friends of the bill resisted adjournment, while the opposition sought to close the session and give Mr. Vilas a rest from his protracted effort.

The parliamentary contest continued at intervals for half an hour, when all business was suspended by the absence of a quorum and refusal to adjourn. The friends of the bill finally gave up hope of securing a quorum and yielded to an adjournment.

Mr. Vilas continues to hold the floor. In his remarks today he asserted that the Clayton-Bulwer treaty was in full force and that American people would insist upon a full and honorable adherence to its terms.

The senate agreed to the house resolution fixing February 10 for the ceremony of counting the vote for president and vice president before the two houses of congress.

Although defeated for re-election Senator Vilas was victorious back to the senate with marked cordiality and an abundance of floral tribute. His desk was literally overwhelmed with flowers, while the hall and corridors were crowded with unique devices into which the roses and violets had been wrought. A great cluster of solid silver "1900" from the main dining hall, sent from the floor, was an arrow in the side of the filibuster and the capstone of filibusteric bearing the word "Honor."

When the two Allen resolutions questioning the powers of the executive to foreclose the government lien against the Pacific roads were taken up, Mr. Thurston (Rep.) of Nebraska spoke. He argued that the uniform opinion of the courts has been that the government lien was limited strictly to the precise lines on which guarantee bonds had been issued and that the Thurston act did not make it extend beyond the original lines of the Union Pacific and Central Pacific roads. This, he held, looked the Omaha bridge, approach, terminals, etc., outside of the original government lien. The situation as to the Union Pacific was that all terminals, all side tracks, etc., were covered by a first mortgage to which the government lien was subject. The lien of the government was on the main line beginning at the Missouri river about three miles north of the point of the Omaha bridge and extending westward to Ogden, Utah. If, then, there were acquired the rights of the first mortgages and the government's claim was subordinated to those rights, its lien would be extended to all terminals, etc. The obligation to the government reached \$3,000,000 and it was proposed by the present negotiations to pay an upset price of between \$15,000,000 and \$16,000,000. Mr. Thurston said that there were only two propositions from which to make a choice. One was to realize a larger sum at the government's expense, the other to invest more of the people's money in fully acquiring a road presumably for the purpose of government ownership and operation.

Mr. Thurston doubted whether congress could now create a new Union Pacific railway owing to the lack of several of the States prohibiting the penetration of railways by other than domestic corporations. Answering a question by Mr. Allen, Mr. Thurston declared that the right of the attorney general to appear in any foreclosure suit was absolutely unquestioned, irrespective of any legislation on the subject. The government could be brought into court and that had been done in this foreclosure suit. To be sure congress could take from the United States circuit court authority over the subject, but without unauthorized, despotic use of power that would be.

Mr. Thurston gave way at 2 p. m. to the Nicaragua canal bill. This occasioned a brief flurry, showing the anxiety to adjourn. The measure was finally arranged that the Pacific railway resolutions could be taken up tomorrow.

Mr. Morgan, in charge of the Nicaragua bill, gave notice of his presence of the amendments offered by Mr. Teller (Rep.) of Colorado yesterday.

Mr. Vilas then resumed his speech opposing the bill.

At 5 p. m. Mr. Mitchell (Dem.) of Wisconsin suggested the absence of a quorum, and Mr. Daniel (Dem.) of Virginia moved an adjournment. Defeated 17 to 24.

After waiting twenty minutes one senator, Mr. Lindsay, was added to those present. It was evident that a quorum could not be secured. At 5:20 p. m. Mr. Aldrich withdrew further opposition to adjournment, which was had.

**THE HOUSE.**

**Cornett-Swanson Election Contest Decided in Favor of Swanson.**  
Washington, February 3.—The contested election case of Cornett vs. Swanson from the First Virginia district occupied the attention of the house today. Three republicans and three democrats on the election committee had reported in favor of the democratic contestant, Mr. Swanson, and three republicans offered a minority report recommending that the seat be declared vacant on the ground that a fair election could not be held under the Virginia election laws.

to call the yeas and nays and Mr. Swanson a title to his seat was confirmed by an overwhelming vote.

During the debate Mr. Gibson (Rep.) of Tennessee indignantly resented an alleged statement of Mr. McCall (Rep.) of Massachusetts made in a speech on the Yeast-Tucker case, that the republicans of the North were expected to "coddle" the Southern republicans. He said a glowing tribute to the battles the republicans of his section had fought in the name of their party. He declared that it was by means of "infamous" democratic election laws that the negroes of the South were turned from the party of their choice and awarded once honest elections were established in the South, the democrats who came to congress year after year with their enemies would be left so far in the rear that they could not be discovered with the most improved telescope.

Mr. McCall (Rep.) of Massachusetts replied that he did not propose to be placed in a false position by the "noisy vapors" of the gentleman from Tennessee. He said the meaning of his words had been distorted. All he had meant was that the sentimentality with which the Southern republicans had been surrounded should cease. They should not be nurtured on hot house principles. Let their innate strength assert itself. This attempted guardianship was insulting to them.

At 4:32 the house adjourned.

**NATIONAL BUSINESS LEAGUE.**

A New Organization to Work for Commercial Legislation.

Washington, February 3.—Last week there was formed in Chicago as the result of the efforts of a number of that city's most prominent business men, "The National Business League." The plan of the organization contemplates in scope a vast league, whose influence will be powerful if success attends the movement. It is intended to organize branches in all the larger commercial and industrial centers to cooperate with the main body of the league, whose headquarters at present are in Chicago. Circulars to effect the formation of these coordinate bodies have been issued. The object of the league is to bring to the attention of congress measures in the interest of commerce and industry. The league is to be thoroughly non-partisan and non-political. The officers, citizens of Chicago, are as follows:

President, Fred Poole; vice president, Frank M. Phelps; treasurer, Elbridge Keith; secretary, Clifford A. Gilbert; general attorney, John W. Eila.

Fred W. Poole, the president, and John W. Eila, the general attorney of the National Business League, today started the work of the league at Washington to represent the commercial and industrial centers of the country on matters which will be taken up by the league. They were given much encouragement.

**Carnegie Wants Arbitration.**

Washington, February 3.—The senate committee on naval affairs will meet tomorrow with the hope of reaching a conclusion upon the armor plate investigation. The committee has before it the draft of a report prepared by Senator Chandler and also the report made by Secretary Herbert. It is understood that Mr. Herbert will make some additional statements in a supplement which he will present on developments among other things.

Among other proposals the committee will consider it is made by Superintendent Schwab of the Carnegie works to submit all the questions involved in the controversy between his works and the government to arbitration. Mr. Schwab says the company will accept of a foreign arbitrator, but to sell their plant to the government at a price to be fixed by a board of arbitrators.

**Against Mob Rule.**

Washington, February 3.—A bill to protect the lives and property of persons against mobs was introduced in the house today by Representative Stewart of Wisconsin. It provides that the city or county in which mob violence results in destruction of property or loss of life shall be liable for damages and action may be brought against officers of the law for neglect of duty. In case of death a sum not exceeding \$5000 shall be awarded the relatives of the deceased. When the general government in the case of a foreigner is an indemnity. A criminal action for recovery against the State in which the person was killed.

**Copyright Bill.**

Washington, February 3.—The house committee on patents today ordered a report on the bill introduced by Mr. Fairchild of New York to prevent fraudulent use of the word "copyright." The bill was asked for by publishers who represent that many unauthorized works are brought into the United States although they are not copyrighted and do not pay duty as copyrighted works. Representatives of the publishing and importing interests were before the committee and the bill was amended to meet their views. Heavy penalties are attached to its violation.

**In Favor of Tillman's Bill.**

Washington, February 3.—The senate committee on interstate commerce today agreed to support Senator Tillman's bill, giving States the same control over liquor imported from other States that they have over liquors manufactured within their own borders.

Another amendment was recommended. One of these makes the bill apply to other original packages, as well as original packages. Another in words extends the control of all liquors "without regard to the manner of sale provided by the State or territory."

**Monetary Conference Bill.**

Washington, February 3.—The senate bill for an international monetary conference, which is being pushed by republican senators, will be considered tomorrow by the house committee on coinage, to which it was referred, and members of the committee expect that it will be reported to the house without much opposition.

Representative W. A. Stone of Pennsylvania, the chairman of the committee, talked with Speaker Reed about the bill today. He was confident that the committee on rules will give a day for debate soon if the bill is reported.

**Secretary of Labor.**

Washington, February 3.—The bill providing for the creation of the cabinet position of secretary of labor was discussed today by the house committee on labor. The committee considered the suggestion that the department should include commerce, labor and manufactures, but no action was taken.

**Postal Nominations.**  
Washington, February 3.—The president today sent the senate the following nominations: Postmasters—Miss Ade L. Dewes, Pilot Point, Texas; Susan C. Hyman, Stephenville, Texas; Jesse L. Reese, Velasco, Texas.



EVERYTHING GOES IN NEVADA.  
One Legislature Which Regards Little Fighting as Among the Legitimate Pastimes.

**SHORT NEWS STORIES.**

**LONDON.**—The Nansen, the Arctic explorer, accompanied by Miss Nansen, arrived here.

**HOUGHTON, Miss.**—Fire in the Thomas rack mill was extinguished and all the mentioned machinery restored.

**NEW YORK.**—Admiral Cambrake, the famous Wall Street operator, has decided to sell his seat on the New York stock exchange.

**NEW YORK.**—The police commissioner declined the charges against Police Captain McMahon growing out of the cigarette racket on the Seelye street.

**CHICAGO.**—Jock Stueben, 17 years of age, a member of the Chicago police force, was arrested on a charge of stealing a bicycle.

**ST. LOUIS.**—The big big gorge of the Missouri has broken. Floods of water at St. Louis and Hannibal were cut off and are now in the river.

**SAN FRANCISCO.**—Charles R. Dodge and Alexander Bennett were killed at New York by a car. The car was driven by a man who was a member of the police force.

**PARIS.**—President Faure today visited the Pasteur Institute at Villejuve. He was accompanied by his wife and children.

**KANSAS CITY.**—Mr. George M. Shelby, a member of the Missouri legislature, was arrested after a subpoena had been issued against him.

**HOUGHTON, Mich.**—The fire at No. 3 shaft North Tamarack mine has been extinguished. Peter and William Lemme were killed in the shaft and have been given up for dead.

**NEW YORK.**—The steamer Jason, Captain Fowler, left New York, picked up the crew of the distressed and sinking schooner Mary Sprague on January 25, near Crooked Island passage, and brought her safely to this port.

**WASHINGTON.**—Senator Harris underwent an operation on his eye to relieve the intense pain he has been suffering. He was under the influence of ether during the operation.

**WASHINGTON.**—The anti-slavery bill has been under consideration in the senate committee on interstate commerce but action was deferred until the next meeting, when it is understood the bill will be finally discussed.

**WASHINGTON.**—The four republican members of congress from Tennessee, who are advocates of seceding a representative to Canada in behalf of the cabinet secretary of H. Clay Vance.

**LONDON.**—Thomas G. Fox, moved in the house of commons that the full text of the arbitration treaty be placed before the house. The motion was adopted.

**CHICAGO.**—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Diamond Match company was held and resulted in the election of the directors and most exciting session.

**PARIS.**—President Faure today visited the Pasteur Institute at Villejuve. He was accompanied by his wife and children.

**KANSAS CITY.**—Mr. George M. Shelby, a member of the Missouri legislature, was arrested after a subpoena had been issued against him.

**HOUGHTON, Mich.**—The fire at No. 3 shaft North Tamarack mine has been extinguished. Peter and William Lemme were killed in the shaft and have been given up for dead.

**NEW YORK.**—The steamer Jason, Captain Fowler, left New York, picked up the crew of the distressed and sinking schooner Mary Sprague on January 25, near Crooked Island passage, and brought her safely to this port.

**WASHINGTON.**—Senator Harris underwent an operation on his eye to relieve the intense pain he has been suffering. He was under the influence of ether during the operation.

**WASHINGTON.**—The anti-slavery bill has been under consideration in the senate committee on interstate commerce but action was deferred until the next meeting, when it is understood the bill will be finally discussed.

**WASHINGTON.**—Representative Broadus of Pennsylvania spoke before the committee on banking and currency in favor of the bill to regulate the Federal reserve bank and establish an international bank.

**CARSON, Nev.**—The woman suffrage bill has passed the senate by a vote of 9 to 8. The bill was introduced by Senator Stanford and passed by a majority of 9.

**LONDON.**—A dispatch from Yokohama announces that the minister to Japan Sir E. M. Satow has committed the death of a man in a car. The man was a member of the police force.

**WASHINGTON.**—Senator Frye gave notice of an amendment which he proposes to offer to the sundry civil bill, appropriating \$100,000 for the improvement of the Port Harbor, Hawaii, in accordance with the plans of Rear Admiral Walker.

**M'KENNA IS CHOSEN.**

Fifth Place in McKinley's Cabinet Is Filled.

TO BE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR

Warner of Kansas City May Be First Assistant.

NEWS GIVEN OUT BY M'KINLEY

Sketch of the Life of Mr. McKenna. His Service in Congress and on the Bench.

St. Louis, Mo., February 3.—A special to the Globe-Democrat from Canton, Ohio, says: Judge Joseph McKenna of San Francisco has accepted the portfolio of the secretaryship of the interior department in President McKinley's cabinet. Judge McKenna's first assistant will probably be Major Warner of Kansas City. This information was given by the president-elect to a delegation of Missourians who called upon him to urge the appointment of Judge William Warner.

The Missouri delegation included Gardner Lathrop of Kansas City, J. I. Hittinger of St. Joseph, P. D. Haskin of Sedalia, Mayor C. P. Wallbridge and P. D. Dyer of St. Louis.

**M'KENNA'S STATEMENT.**

San Francisco, Cal., February 3.—Judge Joseph McKenna was today shown the dispatch from Canton making the positive announcement that he is offered a place in the cabinet. He was asked to state whether or not he had accepted the proffered post. In reply he said:

"I do not wish to seem evasive, but I cannot say I have accepted any cabinet position because none has been tendered to me. My position is very different from that of Senator Sherman, Mr. Case or General Alger, each of whom was offered a designated portfolio. Major McKenna never said to me: 'Will you accept the secretaryship of the interior?' or 'Will you accept the attorney generalship?' He may have made some statement attributed to him regarding me with the exception of the remark as to the supreme bench, but he never made a definite offer to me of a portfolio. If he should do so I will speak, but not until the first statement comes to me from Mr. McKinley."

**SKETCH OF HIS LIFE.**

San Francisco, Cal., February 3.—Judge Joseph McKenna, who it is announced will be secretary of the interior in the cabinet of President McKinley, was born in Philadelphia, in 1834. When 12 years of age he was brought by his parents to California, the family settling at Benicia. He studied law at St. Augustine college, being admitted to the bar in 1855. In the same year, when 22 years of age, he was elected district attorney of Solano county, holding the position for four years. In 1875 he was elected a member of the State legislature and in the following year he was a candidate for congress from the Thirty-first district, being defeated by John H. Lathrop. Three years later, however, he was elected to congress, holding the position for four successive terms, his majority at the polls increasing with each succeeding year.

While serving his fourth congressional term he was appointed by President Harrison in 1892 judge of the United States circuit court, succeeding Judge Sawyer. He has rendered many important decisions, notably in connection with the railroad legislation in California during his five years of service on the bench.

Judge McKenna has a wife and two daughters, who are prominent in society. All the members of the family are devout Roman Catholics.

**TODAY'S FORECAST.**

**KIRKSVILLE, Mo.**—A State convention opposed to secret societies will be held here today. It is said the convention may call a National meeting for next summer.

**ALBANY, N. Y.**—The senate committee on miscellaneous corporations will report today on Senator Cantor's bill for dollar gas in New York City, and providing for a municipal commission to regulate the quality of gas furnished consumers. This is only one step, it is said, in the progress towards municipal ownership of gas plants.

**GENEVA, N. Y.**—A conference of general secretaries of the State will be in conjunction with the Young Men's Christian association convention of Western New York here beginning today.

**FRANKLIN, Tenn.**—The annual State convention of the Young Men's Christian association of Tennessee will be held here commencing today and lasting four days.

**NEW YORK.**—Citizens favoring Henry J. Purdy's new movement of Tennessee Hall democrats who are opposed to the leadership of J. C. Schoon, will hold primary meetings today further to boost the cause.

**MONTREAL.**—The Canadian figure skating championships will be held here today. Michelson, who skated third at the recent contests at New York, will probably be a leading competitor. The world's championship skating race will be held tomorrow and next day under the auspices of the Canadian Amateur Skating association.

**NEW YORK.**—The annual German charity bazaar will take place today at Madison Square Garden. The committee that will have charge of the ball will be formed from the three bachelor societies of the A. O. U. M. German Liederkreis and Ben-Hoven Maennerchor. The special feature of this year will be the grand colonnade, which will be lavishly decorated by the members of the committee with their kielbasas.

City Ticket Office . . . 217 Main Street.